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## 4-H Club Youths Receive Awards For Production

### Edith Evans and Harold McCulloch Awarded \$25 Bond By First National Bank.

McDowell county's 4-H clubs have stepped up production at a record pace during war years and from all indications will play a vital part in laying the foundation for further progress in the years of reconversion.

Miss Edith Evans, of route 1, Old Fort, and Harold McCulloch, of Glenwood, held the record for the highest individual records of individual production in 1945 and were awarded a \$25 war bond each by the First National Bank, Miss Jean Steele, home demonstration agent, announced this week.

Miss Hilda Alison of route 1, Old Fort was a close rival for the award and was commended for her accomplishments. Robert Brinkley came second in the boys' projects and was pronounced one of McDowell's outstanding youths, by S. L. Homewood, county farm agent.

Miss Evans report revealed a profit of \$30 on a pig which she raised and \$15.25 on a calf. She canned 100 cans of food without any assistance and 412 cans with aid. She learned to make soap and gathered 16 bushels of tomatoes and beans, 30 heads of cabbage from her garden in addition to canning 80 quarts of corn which she raised in her garden, the report showed.

She added a dressing table and new curtains to her room and made the following garments: 1 apron, two sets of pillow cases, two table runners, one dress, three dish towels, four pot holders and one kerchief.

Then in completing a well rounded out program she prepared 150 dishes of food, planned 100 menus and prepared 50 meals.

Miss Allison completed the following projects: canned 380 cans of food without help and 50 cans with help; raised cabbage, onions, lettuce, carrots, okra, beats and turnips in her garden, making a profit of \$3; made one skirt, one dress and one slip; prepared 500 dishes of food, planned 100 meals and prepared 365 meals.

McCulloch realized a total of \$568.83 on his four projects of poultry, pigs, corn and a calf. His greatest profit was realized from the production of hogs totaling \$145.30.

On his poultry project he raised 100 chicks and sold them at a profit of \$21.43. He raised 300 bushels of corn on five acres and made a profit of \$366.70, his brood sow netted him \$145.30 and the calf project realized \$35.50.

Robert Brinkley followed second with a profit of \$226.32 on rabbit, poultry, gardening and calf projects.

The First National Bank has promised to reward the outstanding youths again next year for record production.

## MOTORISTS MUST HAVE 1946 TAGS BY FEBRUARY 1

City and state automobile license tags must be in use by February 1, according to a ruling of the State Motor Vehicle Department.

State license tags issued to McDowell county motorists include 1905 for passenger cars, 574 trucks, 27 farm trucks and 32 trailers, Max Lentz, distributor, announced yesterday.

City tags have been issued to 120 Marion motorists by the Town of Marion as of yesterday.

## STATE COULD USE 2,000 MORE SCHOOL BUSES

Raleigh—The State can use 2,000 new school busses by the end of the school year in June, Comptroller Paul Reid of the State Board of Education said.

It now is almost impossible to procure new busses, he said, adding that a tight situation has prevailed all during the war.

## Marion Firms Start Spring Cleaning, Remodeling Program

Many Marion merchants resolved to improve their business establishments in 1946 and a program of remodeling and repainting is now under way.

The interior of the local Belk Broome company was recently repainted. Workman's store underwent an early spring cleaning last week and the walls and ceiling were given a coating of white paint.

The Marguerite Shoppe is now undergoing a complete remodeling. A balcony is being added as office space and the dressing room in the rear of the building is being equipped with storage shelves. The addition of the balcony will allow more floor space to display merchandise. Plans are to paint the fixtures black and the walls and ceiling coral. Black inlaid linoleum will provide a floor covering.

Loven Furniture company has arranged a new and larger office in the rear of the building and the entire store was repainted last week. Rabb-Hitchcock and the McDowell Hardware company are also receiving a coat of paint this week.

## HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB WEEKLY SCHEDULE

The schedule of Home Demonstration club meetings for McDowell county was announced Saturday by Miss Jean Steele, county home demonstration agent, as follows:

Glenwood: January 24 at the school building at 2 o'clock.

Pleasant Gardens: January 24 at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. F. N. Shearouse.

Dysartsville: January 25 at 2 o'clock, home of Mrs. Bruce Cowan.

Cherry Springs: January 28 at 1 o'clock. Place of meeting to be announced later.

Chapel Hill: January 29 at the club house 1:30 o'clock.

North Cove: January 30, school building, 2:30.

Old Fort: January 31, 2:30, community building.

Bethlehem: February 1, 2:00. Place of meeting to be announced later.

West Marion: February 1, 7:30, home of Mrs. W. C. Burgin.

## Miss Irene Clark Guest Speaker At The Kiwanis Club

Miss Irene Clark, local public health nurse, was the guest speaker at the regular dinner meeting of the Marion Kiwanis Club, which was held in the Community building last Tuesday evening.

Miss Clark used as her topic, "Polio-myelitis." She traced the history of this dread children's disease and outlined methods used by physicians and hospitals in alleviating the suffering of those who were stricken with it. Her discussion showed that there are many things yet unknown about the disease. For instance, it has not yet been determined how the virus is transferred from one individual to another.

Miss Clark also discussed the Foundation for Polio Control as inaugurated by our late President, Franklin D. Roosevelt. She pointed out that through the funds controlled by this foundation many researches were being conducted for the purpose of obtaining more information as to the control of this disease as well as methods of treatment. Only recently the Medical School of Duke University has been granted funds from the Polio Foundation to make a special research with reference to muscular control of patients suffering from this malady.

The address given by Miss Clark was very appropriate at this particular time, inasmuch as a fund-raising campaign is now in progress in McDowell county for this purpose. Recently the Kiwanis Club voted to contribute \$50.00 to this fund. After hearing Miss Clark the club voted to contribute an additional \$50.00 to this cause.

S. L. Homewood, president of the club, presided, and as program chairman for January presented Miss Clark to the group. A good attendance was reported.

## McDowell Draft Board Will Be Honored Today

### Members To Be Given Citations For Years Of Service At Meeting In Asheville.

Members of McDowell county draft boards will receive singular honor this week as a part of a series of meetings to be held throughout the State honoring Selective Service officials who have served without compensation for at least two years.

The local Selective Service officials, all of whom have given their time and service without pay, will be presented with certificates and medals by Governor Cherry in ceremonies to be held in the Buncombe county courthouse at Asheville Thursday afternoon at two o'clock.

Members of the McDowell county draft board are W. L. Morris, chairman; A. S. Bradford and W. S. Shiflet. These three members have been serving since the first draft call was made in October, 1940, without compensation.

Robert W. Proctor, who served as government appeal agent over two years, will also attend the meeting.

Prior to the presentation of the certificates and medals, Governor Cherry will deliver a brief message. Brig. Gen. J. Van B. Metts, State director of Selective Service, will also make a short talk honoring the unselfish service of the draft board members.

## PICTURE SUNDAY SET FOR NEXT SUNDAY AT THE FIRST METHODIST

Sunday being the fourth Sunday in the month, will be "Picture Sunday" at First Methodist church.

At 9:45 in the Hut young people and adults will enjoy a World-Service picture entitled "Religion and The People."

At the evening service in the church sanctuary a real drama, entitled "Beyond Our Horizon," will feature the program. It is a magnificent picture and will run forty-five minutes.

Against a background of magnificent Norwegian scenery is set the life of a devoted pastor of the far north. His faith and prayers are considered by his people more effective than the services of the doctor in healing the sick. His struggle to retain his faith in God when disaster comes to his own family presents movingly one of the most difficult problems in the Christian interpretation of prayer. The drama is stimulating to the thoughtful consideration of the meaning of prayer, its Christian use and misuse.

At the conclusion of the picture, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, will make a short talk on "Why God Let's Bad Things Happen to Good People."

## McDOWELL COMPLETES PERFECT WAR BOND RECORD

McDowell county exceeded its overall bond quota by \$18,719.50 and its E bond quota by \$25,037.50 in the recent Victory Loan Drive, according to announcement by J. F. Snipes and J. N. Morris, co-chairmen.

Receipts of purchases of E bonds is 119% of the assigned quota of \$131,000. The overall quota for McDowell was \$296,000.

This completes a perfect record for the county in oversubscribing quotas in all War Bond drives.

## NICHOLS RESIGNS AS CHIEF OF POLICE

C. A. Nichols announced his resignation as Chief of Police this week, to become effective February 1.

Nichols said he became eligible for retirement under the officers' retirement fund last July, but would continue serving until February 1. He has been employed by the Town of Marion for the past 20 years and served two years as deputy sheriff before that time.

Government price supports and heavy demand are expected to keep dairy products high during the first half of 1946.

## Plans Made For Clothes Canvass Here Saturday

### House-to-House Canvass To Be Made Saturday; Schools To Be Canvassed Friday.

Next Saturday will be the last date of collection in the Victory Clothing Drive in McDowell county, C. A. Harris, chairman, said yesterday.

A house to house canvass will be made on Saturday, January 26, and all contributors are asked to have bundles of clothing placed on front porches to facilitate collection.

Clothing will be collected from the schools on Friday and the period of collection in the schools has been extended one week because many of McDowell's schools have been closed since Christmas holidays, Harris said.

The chairman added that the response has been gratifying and the public has exhibited a splendid spirit of cooperation.

The McDowell County Victory Clothing Drive is a part of the United National Clothing Collection to aid peoples in war devastated countries. Through the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, donated garments will be shipped quickly to the many countries where devastations of war have dislocated civilian supply and civilian economy. Distribution will be world-wide—to the Far East and the Philippines—as well as to war-torn countries of Europe.

## MILITARY DISCHARGES RECORDED THIS WEEK

The following discharges were recorded by the McDowell County Draft Board last week:

Jessie L. Lynch, Clarence J. Lawing, Robert H. Ledford, Paul V. Early, Glenn G. Early, Brown E. Ledford, Roy Hyatt, Jr., Thomas Loftis, Jr., Ray H. Stevens, Alvin G. Gosorn, Thomas W. Queen, William A. Owensby.

John R. Lowery, Clifton R. Morgan, John A. McFarland, Horace A. Norton, James H. Boyd, James A. Satterfield, Jr., William J. Stamey, Paul M. Bryant, Clyde J. Ball, Worley B. Greene, Frederick B. Hughes, Sedrick D. Cuthbertson, Thomas M. Allison, Glenn B. Satterwhite, William J. Waters, John Greene, Kenneth Young, James Baker, Avery H. Henline, Preston O. Wylie, Glenn B. Pressnell, Ernest L. Austin, Kermit Martin.

Even K. Young, George R. Swann, Guy H. Ward, Ersel D. Hollifield, Ivan Banks, George E. Lentz, Arvel A. Webb, Arthur W. Parks, James B. Logan, Charles L. Foster, James L. Johnson, John C. Early.

## VESTRYMEN ELECTED AT ANNUAL MEETING OF ST. JOHN'S PARISH

More than thirty members of St. John's Episcopal church attended the annual parish supper and meeting held at the Community building last Thursday evening.

The Rev. Albert P. Mack, the rector, presided and reports were heard from various officers of the church and church school.

Annual reports were made by Wm. Trevorton, treasurer; S. W. Blanton, superintendent of church school; Mrs. Hubert Martin and Mrs. S. W. Blanton for Woman's Auxiliary, and by Father Mack on the rector's activities during the year. The reports were more encouraging than at any time.

S. E. Whitten, W. C. Smith, S. W. Blanton, S. L. Homewood, E. P. Dameron and B. W. Harrison were re-elected members of the vestry for the coming year. The addition of a room for Sunday School classes and other meetings was discussed and a committee appointed to give the matter consideration.

Delegates were also named to the annual convention of the diocese to be held in May as follows: S. L. Homewood, S. W. Blanton and B. W. Harrison; Mrs. Sam Yancey, Mrs. Hubert Martin and Mrs. H. W. Stauffer, alternates.

## Changes Made In Employing Minors

The Council of State, meeting on November 14th and acting upon the recommendation of Commissioner of Labor, Forrest H. Shuford, voted to rescind War Proclamations Numbers I and III, effective January 19, 1946.

As a result of the revocation of these proclamations, female employees, subject to the statutory provisions of the law, may not work more than nine hours per day and forty-eight hours per week; girls sixteen and seventeen years of age may not work later than nine o'clock at night; minors fourteen and fifteen years of age may not work after 6 p. m.; and, girls under eighteen years of age may not carry newspaper routes under any circumstances.

The Commissioner of Labor has no discretionary power under which exemptions to the statutory law might be granted to permit longer or later hours.

Employers are urged to take note of the effective date of this action and to take necessary steps on or before January 19 to bring their establishment into compliance with the statutory laws of the State.

Minors, both boys and girls, under 18 are required to secure permits from the Welfare Department. In order to establish minor age they are requested to secure a copy of their birth certificate.

## ANNUAL POLIO DRIVE ENTERING SECOND WEEK

McDowell county's annual polio drive is now underway and will continue until January 31, S. J. Westmoreland, chairman, said yesterday.

The continued closing of county schools has delayed the progress of the fight against infantile paralysis slightly, but the committee is hoping the contributions will increase substantially next week, Westmoreland said.

Birthday greeting cards were distributed in some of the city schools this week and pupils are already calling for more. The Marion Junior Woman's club realized \$35 from the dime board on Main street Monday and will continue the board throughout the remainder of this week.

The Roosevelt Birthday Ball will be held at the community building on the evening of February 1 and proceeds will be added to the fund, Westmoreland said.

## State Prepared To Spend \$93,000,000 On Its Highways

Raleigh, Jan. 17—North Carolina is preparing to spend \$93,000,000 on its main and secondary highways, but it would have to spend \$500,000,000 to satisfy everyone.

That is the consensus of commissioners and department officials, who say that the \$93,000,000 will go about as far as \$50,000,000 before the war. And all that money won't be in hand until July, 1949.

The skyrocketing cost of the times is felt in road construction, maintenance and improvement.

But unlike 1921-27 when more than \$100,000,000 was issued in bonds, the state won't go into debt a nickel on its new, gigantic program and the taxes won't be raised. It's all already in the kitty, or will be when the federal government comes across with its share.

The road program has been a headache for many years. During the administration of Governor Hoey, the state didn't have enough money to fix highways as it wanted to. During the Broughton administration, it couldn't because of the war. Now, with lots of money, the state has ideas but the money won't go far.

Highway work was greatly curtailed during the war. Today finds about 30 per cent of the state's 11,400 miles of main highways in need of improvement, chief engineer W. Vance Baise says. About 80 per cent of the 49,000-odd miles of secondary roads need improvement.

And on top of that, the state wants to build, with federal assistance, 736 miles of interregional highways.

Right now the chief concern of the department and of the administration is to get the highway program (Continued on last page)

## Clinchfield Has Annual Meeting Of Stockholders

### W. L. Morris Re-elected President; Other Officers And Directors Re-elected.

The annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Clinchfield Manufacturing company was held in the office of the company Tuesday morning. Officers and directors were elected for the ensuing year.

Officers reelected included W. L. Morris, president and treasurer; Frank H. Leslie, vice president; Glenn A. Morris, secretary and assistant treasurer; Judge J. W. Winborne, chairman of the board, and W. R. Chambers, attorney; Miss Marie Jarrett, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer.

Directors reelected for the year were H. V. Brumley, S. P. Cave, W. R. Chambers, I. H. R. Genet, Frank H. Leslie, Henry M. Leslie, W. L. Morris, Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., J. T. Rich, Norris Rosenwasser, R. D. Scott, Judge J. W. Winborne and Sam M. Yancey.

Out-of-town stockholders and directors attending the meeting were H. V. Brumley, Jr., Frank H. Leslie, Henry M. Leslie, Morris Rosenwasser and R. D. Scott, of New York City; Judge J. W. Winborne of Raleigh; E. P. Cave of St. Louis, Mo., and J. T. Rich of Haines Falls, N. Y.

## FSA TENANT PURCHASE FAMILIES HAVE MEETING

Eight families from Burke and McDowell counties who are buying farms through the provisions of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act held their annual meeting last Wednesday in the Community building in Marion.

The meeting was opened by Bynum A. Buff, FSA Supervisor, who reviewed last year's business and led a discussion of ways of increasing farm income on the farm. Miss Harleston McIntosh, Associate Supervisor, led a discussion on Home Management Practices. Leland Hairr, Soil Conservationist, explained the Standardization of Pasture Mixtures and Fertilizers for McDowell County.

Mrs. O. B. Austin, home economist for Duke Power Company, gave a very interesting talk on proper lighting in the home and on the farm, illustrated by motion pictures. W. B. Oliver, District FSA Supervisor, spoke on the "Variable Payment Agreement for TP Borrowers". A. H. Maxwell, Extension Forester, told of ways to increase income from woodlands. He outlined the help available through the Extension Service and showed slides of woodland scenes.

## 479 PERSONS LOSE LIVES ON HIGHWAYS

Raleigh, Jan. 18.—Four hundred and seventy nine persons were killed in highway accidents investigated by the state highway patrol in 1945, according to the yearly report released today.

A total of 2,789 persons were injured in the accidents, the report adds. In all, the highway patrol investigated 3,511 accidents during the year.

The report shows that 2,599 motorists were arrested for driving drunk, and 38,496 citations were issued. The patrol recovered 605 cars and extinguished 14 fires.

During the year, 480,949 driver's licenses were inspected. In all, the patrol traveled 5,872,850 miles. Lights were corrected on 173,313 vehicles, and 424,833 cars and trucks were inspected.

Over \$499,000 was collected in fines and turned over to county school funds, the report shows.

## RED CROSS DRIVE

Basil O'Connor, National Chairman of the Red Cross, has announced that the campaign of the American Red Cross to raise \$100,000,000 for 1946 will be directed by Harvey D. Gibson, of New York City. The drive will be carried on during the month of March.